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THE DOLL MAN
MIGHTIEST OF MITES
conquers EVIL and CRUELTY!
-- and Something
NEW has been
ADDED!



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1/3 DOLL MAN

WHERE THE OVERGROWN HULKS OF SIZE AND STRENGTH MAY BLUNDER -- THE DOLL MAN, MIGHTIEST OF MITES, CONQUERS EVIL AND CRUELTY! A STRANGE DRUG GAVE DARREL DANE THE POWER TO CHANGE, BY AN EFFORT OF WILL, INTO THE DOLL MAN -- NOT VERY TALL, BUT A GIANT IN STRENGTH, WIT AND COURAGE!

HELLO, DOLL MAN! ... I'M MIDGE!

NO ENEMY TOO BIG! NO ENEMY TOO SMALL! THUS THE DOLL MAN HAS FOUGHT ALONE ... UNTIL NOW!



DARREL DANE
IS IN A MEDITATIVE
MOOD TONIGHT...

I'VE HAD
CURIOUS ADVENTURES
AS THE DOLL MAN,
WON FURIOUS FIGHTS
AGAINST MIGHTY ADVERSARIES
—BUT IT'S BEEN LONESOME!
SOMETIMES I WISH
I HAD A
PARTNER!

WHILE AT ANOTHER FIRESIDE SITS MARTHA
ROBERTS, DARREL DANE'S FIANCEE, WHO
ONCE OR TWICE ALMOST GUESSED HIS SECRET...

THE DOLL
MAN! ... SO
MUCH HEROISM
IN SO TINY A
BODY! I WISH I
COULD HELP HIM
IN HIS BATTLE
FOR THE RIGHT
THINGS!

THUS TWO WILLS CONCENTRATE ON A
SINGLE THOUGHT!

IF ONLY THE
DOLL MAN
HAD A
PARTNER!

STARS AND
PLANETS
WHIRL IN A
MAD DANCE!
THEN...

WH-WHAT'S
HAPPENING
TO ME!

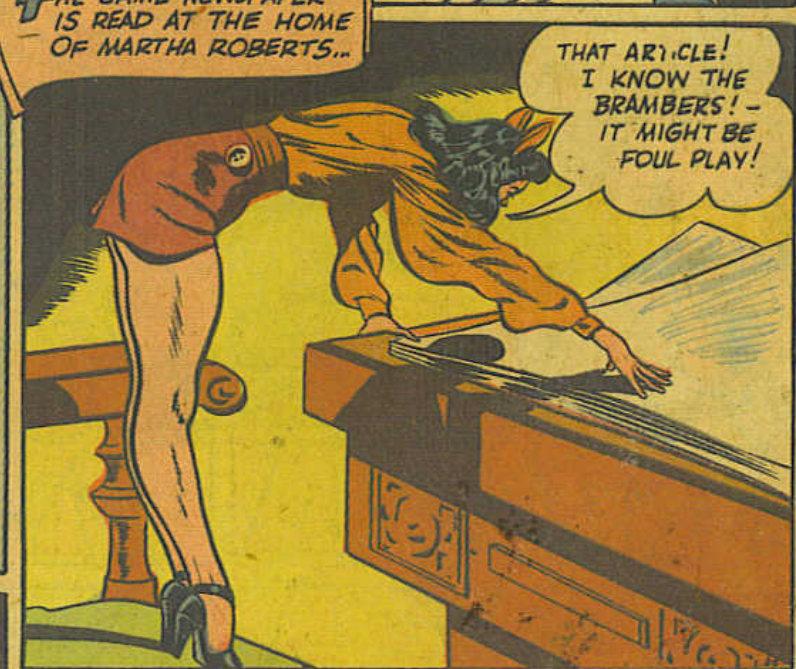
IF ONLY I
COULD HELP
THE DOLL MAN
ACTIVELY!

AND...

I'M
FALLING!
—OR
SHRINKING!
—OR
BOTH!...

BY A
STRANGE
COMBINATION
OF WILL
POWERS,
MARTHA
HAS
SHRUNK
TO THE
SIZE
OF THE
DOLL
MAN!

OH-H-H! ...
NOW I'M ONLY
SIX INCHES
HIGH!





YET ANOTHER PERSON ARRIVES
AT THE GARDEN! ...

OOHHH! WHAT
A HORRIBLE
MONSTER!



GA-LOMP!

EEEEEEK!
WORSE
STILL!



I'LL BE
EATEN
ALIVE!



SAVE ME!
SAVE
ME!

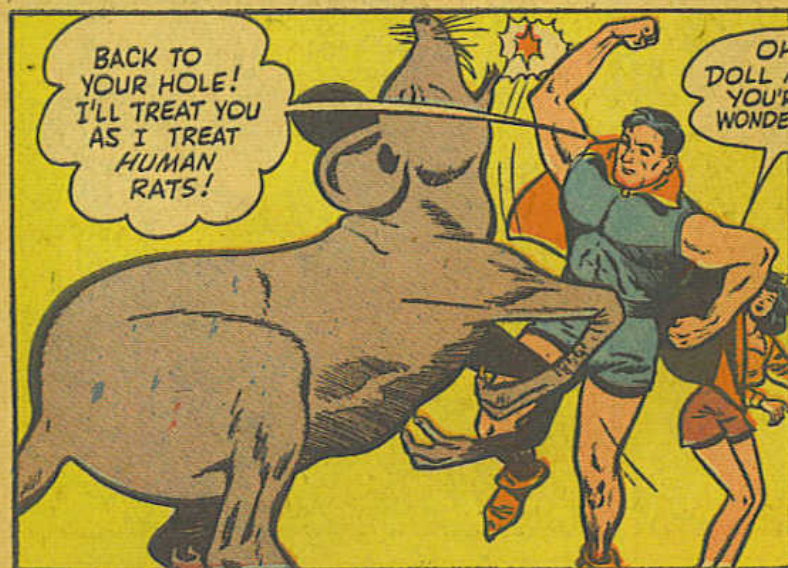
WELL! ...
I'LL
BE --



BACK TO
YOUR HOLE!
I'LL TREAT YOU
AS I TREAT
HUMAN
RATS!

OH --
DOLL MAN!
YOU'RE
WONDERFUL!

WHY SHOULDN'T
I KNOW YOUR NAME?
DOESN'T EVERYBODY
KNOW THE FAMOUS
DOLL MAN?



I'VE
ALWAYS
WISHED FOR
SOMEONE MY
SIZE -- TO
SHARE MY
ADVENTURES!





SPEAKING OF NAMES - WHAT'S YOURS?

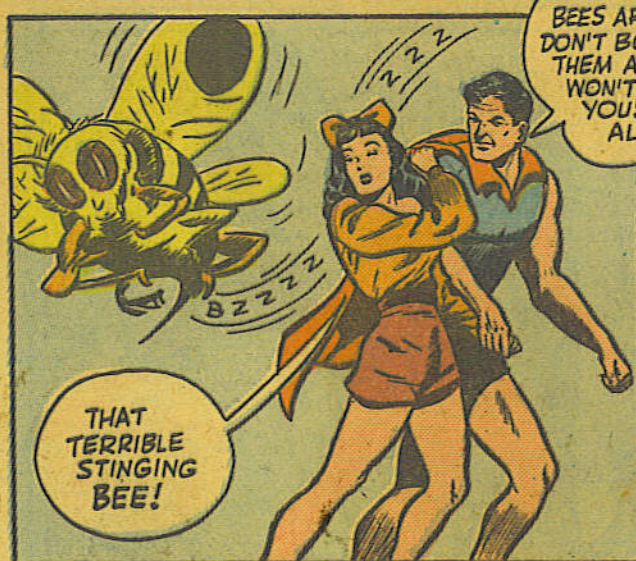
WHY - THAT --
-ER - WHAT SHOULD IT BE BUT M ---
ER, THAT IS ---



"M ---" - WHAT'S THE REST OF IT?



YOU MAY CALL ME -- MIDGE! AND, AS YOU SAY, I'M HERE TO SHARE YOUR ADVENTURES! - THIS BRAMBER MYSTERY, FOR INSTANCE!



BEES ARE OKAY! DON'T BOTHER THEM AND THEY WON'T BOTHER YOU! - COME ALONG!

THAT TERRIBLE STINGING BEE!



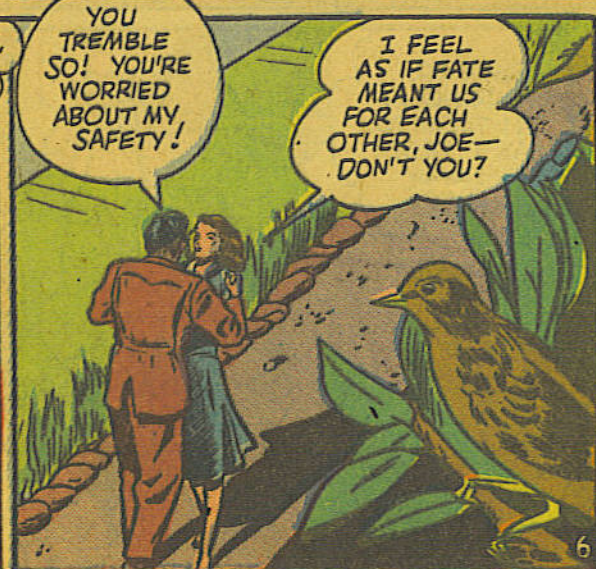
THE DRINKING FOUNTAIN, EH? LET ME HAVE A LOOK!

DON'T GO NEAR IT!



I SENSE SOME HORRIBLE FATE CLOSE BY! PLEASE, JOE! I BEG YOU, IF YOU HAVE ANY FEELING FOR ME - COME AWAY!

WHY - OF COURSE, SABINA, IF YOU INSIST!



YOU TREMBLE SO! YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT MY SAFETY!

I FEEL AS IF FATE MEANT US FOR EACH OTHER, JOE - DON'T YOU?

BUT TWO OTHERS APPROACH THE
SCENE OF THREE DEATHS ...

AS THAT
GIRL SAID
TO THE BOY-
BE CAREFUL!

BUT I'M
NOT JOE
BRAMBER!
I'M THE DOLL
MAN! I WANT
A CLOSE
LOOK!

LOOK, DOLL
MAN! - THAT
BIRD'S THIRSTY!
I'LL JUMP ON
THE PEDAL
AND GIVE IT
A DRINK!

CAREFUL,
MIDGE!

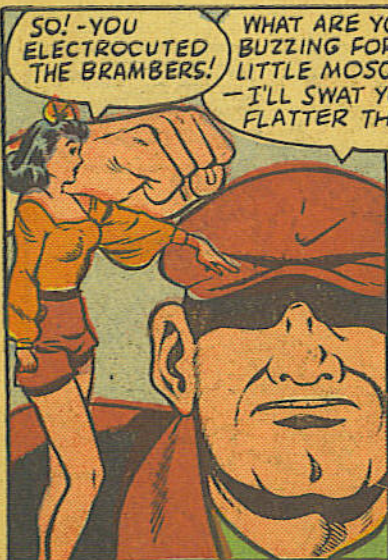
THE DOLL MAN SPEAKS HIS WARNING TOO
LATE! AS MIDGE PUTS HER WEIGHT ON
THE PEDAL, WATER SPURTS ON THE BIRD!

POOR THING!
IT FELL DEAD,
AS IF STRUCK
BY LIGHTNING!

THAT'S JUST WHAT HAPPENED!
THE FOUNTAIN IS ELECTRICALLY
WIRED! THE STREAM OF
WATER STRIKES WHOEVER
DRINKS, WITH A
POWERFUL
CURRENT!

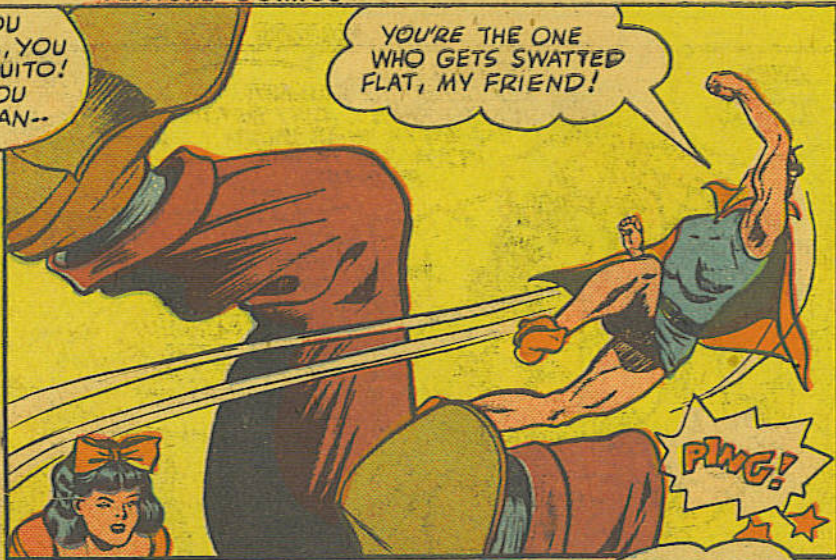
-AND THE WIRES
LEAD TO THAT
LITTLE SHACK,
HIDDEN IN THE
GARDEN!

HERE'S THE
REASON FOR THOSE
DEATHS! THE POLICE
SAID HEART DISEASE
-BUT IT WAS REALLY
ELECTRIC SHOCK!



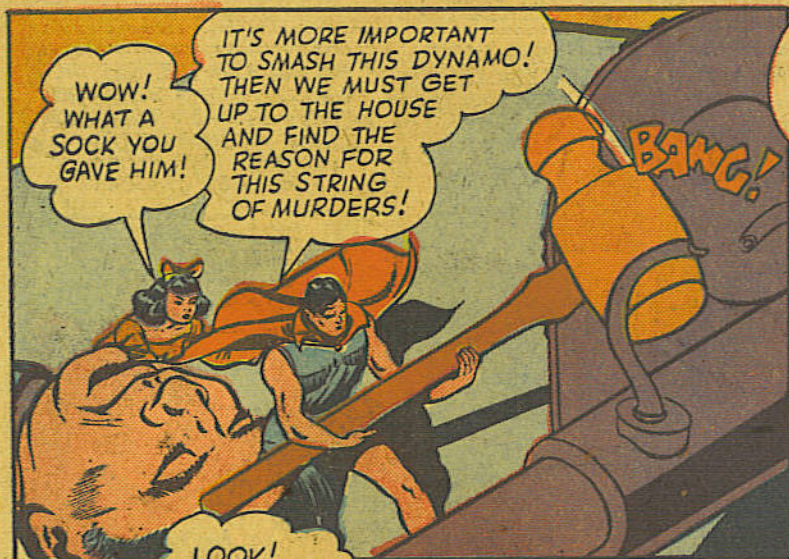
SO! -YOU
ELECTROCUTED
THE BRAMBERS!

WHAT ARE YOU
BUZZING FOR, YOU
LITTLE MOSQUITO!
-I'LL SWAT YOU
FLATTER THAN--



YOU'RE THE ONE
WHO GETS SWATTED
FLAT, MY FRIEND!

PING!



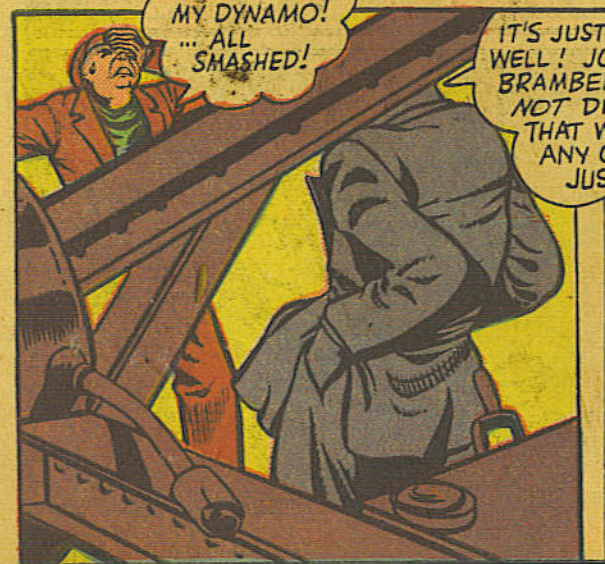
WOW!
WHAT A
SOCK YOU
GAVE HIM!

IT'S MORE IMPORTANT
TO SMASH THIS DYNAMO!
THEN WE MUST GET
UP TO THE HOUSE
AND FIND THE
REASON FOR
THIS STRING
OF MURDERS!



WHAH!...
HE ALMOST
TORE MY
HEAD
OFF!

SERVES YOU
RIGHT! YOU
DIDN'T GUARD
YOURSELF--
OR EVEN
THINK!



LOOK!
MY DYNAMO!
... ALL
SMASHED!

IT'S JUST AS
WELL! JOE
BRAMBER MUST
NOT DIE IN
THAT WAY OR
ANY OTHER--
JUST YET!



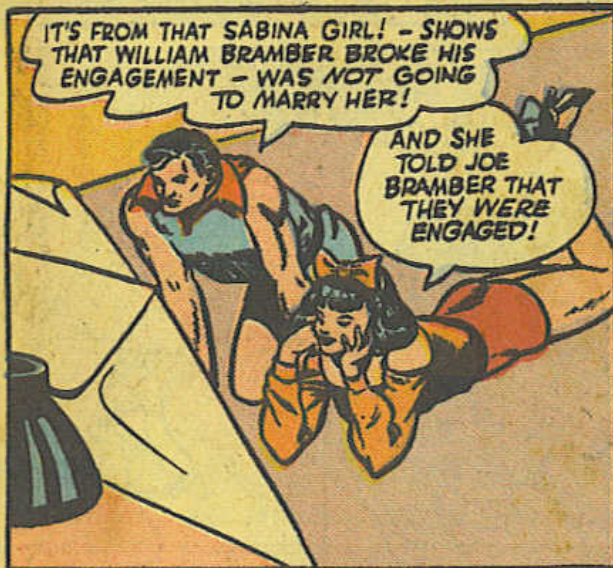
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN,
BOSS?

I'D HAVE TOO
MUCH TROUBLE
EXPLAINING!
YOU WOULDN'T
UNDERSTAND
A REALLY
CLEVER
CRIME!

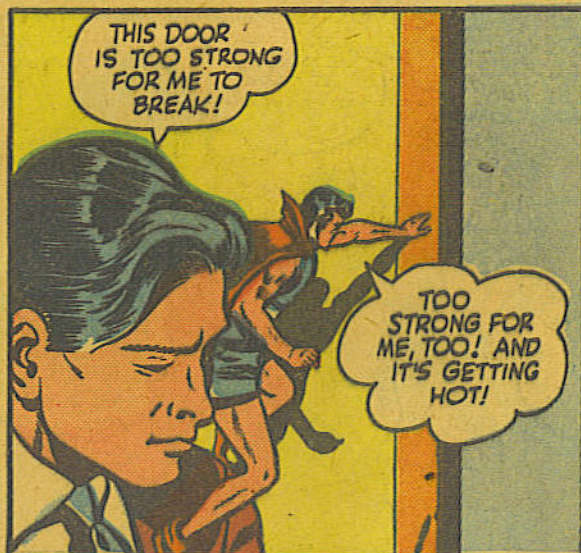
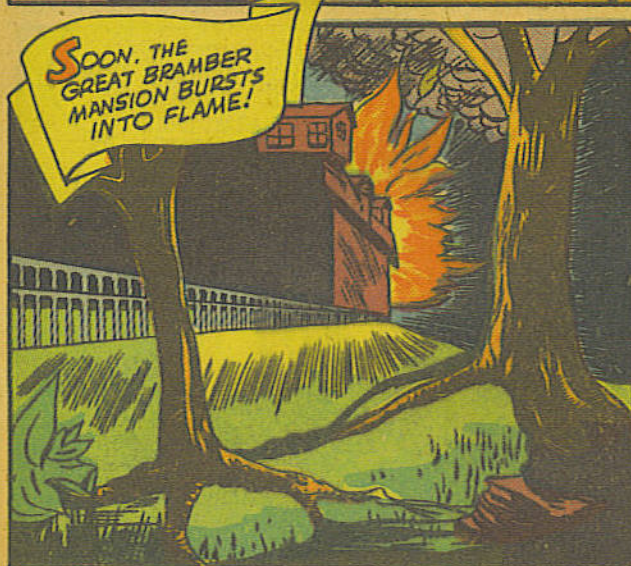
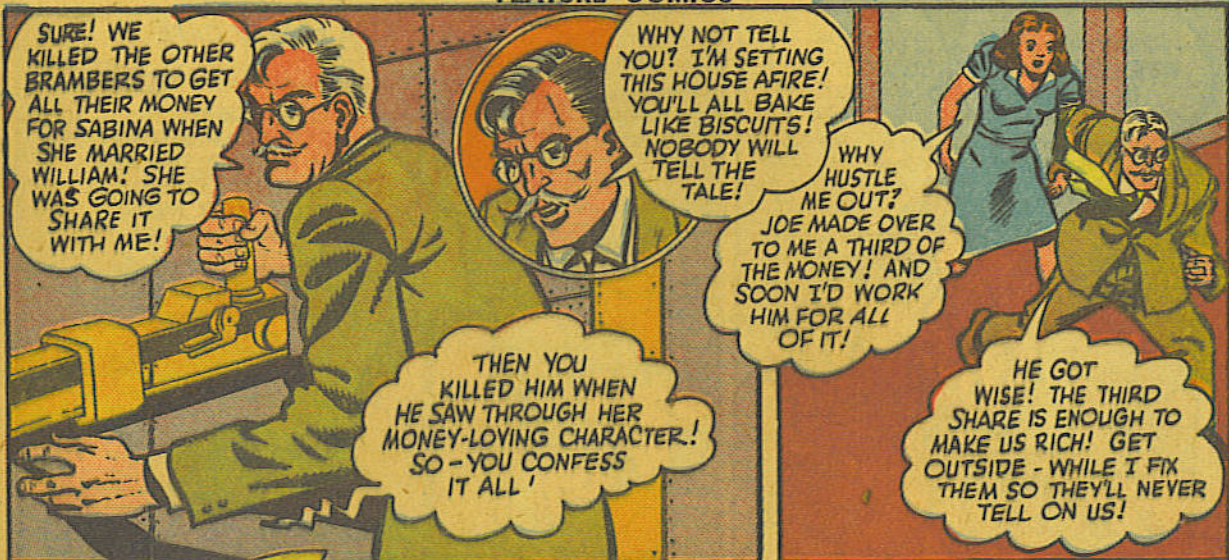


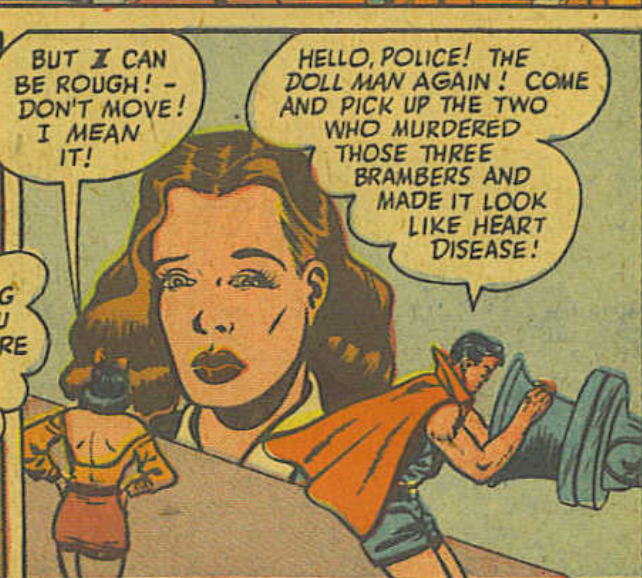
YES-AND IF I REMEMBER THE BRAMBER HOUSE RIGHTLY, JUST BEYOND, THERE'S AN INNER VAULT-ROOM FOR PRIVATE PAPERS!

INTERESTING! THIS SHOWS THAT WILLIAM BRAMBER WAS EXCEEDINGLY WEALTHY AFTER HIS RELATIVES DIED! A MILLIONAIRE!











Rusty RYAN and The Boyville Brigadiers



THE BOYVILLE BRIGADIERS HAVE DROPPED ANCHOR IN THE HARBOR OF HOWALLA, A SOUTH SEAS METROPOLIS AS YET UNTOUCHED BY WAR, BUT....







I WON'T WEEP OVER DADDY! HE DIED AS HE WANTED TO --- FIGHTING! BUT NOW I'M ALONE WITHOUT ANY MONEY!

NOT QUITE, MISS COOPER!

THIS IS PART OF THE MAP THAT SHOWS WHERE THE SUNKEN TREASURE IS WAITING! YOU CAN BE RICH IF YOU FIND IT!

BUT WHAT GOOD IS HALF A MAP?



IN AN EVIL DIVE ACROSS THE TOWN, THE SAME QUESTION ARISES!

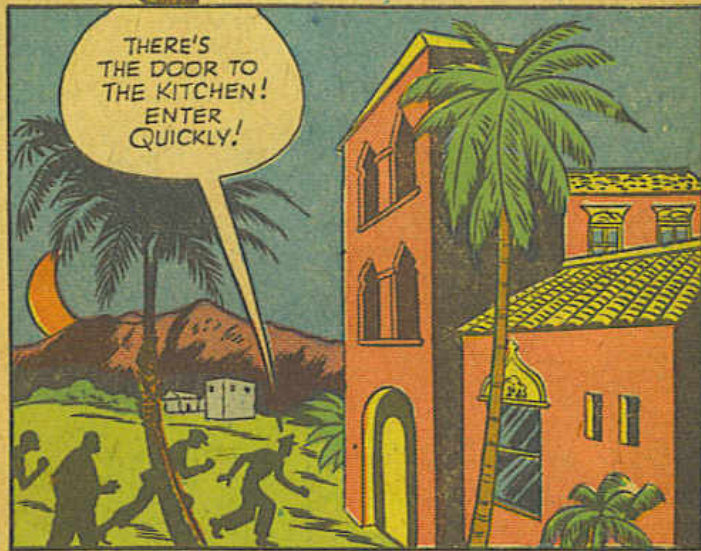
WHAT GOOD IS HALF A MAP?

THIS HALF SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THE WRECK--SUNK OFF THE ISLAND--BUT NOT THE LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE!



THE CAPTAIN HAD A DAUGHTER... AT THE EASTERN HOTEL ...

MAYBE SHE CAN GIVE US THE REST OF THE INFORMATION!



THERE'S THE DOOR TO THE KITCHEN! ENTER QUICKLY!



WHO'D OF THUNK I'D FIND MY OWN COUSIN! COOKIN' IN DIS HOTEL !!

HOW'S AUNT HAGAR, PIERPONT --AN' ALL DE FOLKSES IN HAHLEM?



NOT A SOUND--OR IT WILL BE YOUR LAST!

TIE THEM UP!

GUARD THEM HERE! I'VE FOUND JUST THE DISGUISE I NEED!

MISS COOPER ASKED FOR THIS SPECIAL ORDER! I'LL TAKE IT TO HER PERSONALLY!

WHO IS IT?

SPECIAL ORDER, MISS COOPER!

KITCHEN

SECOND FLOOR--
ROOM 213!

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BUT I DIDN'T ORDER ANYTHING!

THEN I'LL ORDER YOU-- TO GIVE ME THE OTHER HALF OF THE TREASURE MAP!

NOT A SOUND! QUICK! HAND IT OVER!

SUPPOSE I REFUSE?

THESE FLAMES MAY MELT YOUR RESERVE! NO ESCAPE FOR YOU -- MY MEN GUARD THE ONLY ONES WHO KNOW US -- IN THE KITCHEN!

WHAT? A WATCH-CHAIN WITH NO WATCH?

YASSUH! JEST A ZOOT SUIT ACKSESSERY!

THAT'S STUPID! THE CHAIN HAS NO USE!

OH, IT KIN BE CONVENIENT!





FIRST GRAB HIS WRIST...
A PUSH IN HIS FACE HELPS
YOU TO STRAIGHTEN
HIS ARM!



THEN LAY HIS ARM
ACROSS YOUR KNEE!...
IF HE DOESN'T DROP THE
KNIFE, BREAK
HIS ARM!



OHHH-H!

FINALLY, FOLLOW
THROUGH AND APPLY
A HAMMERLOCK,
UNTIL HE ---

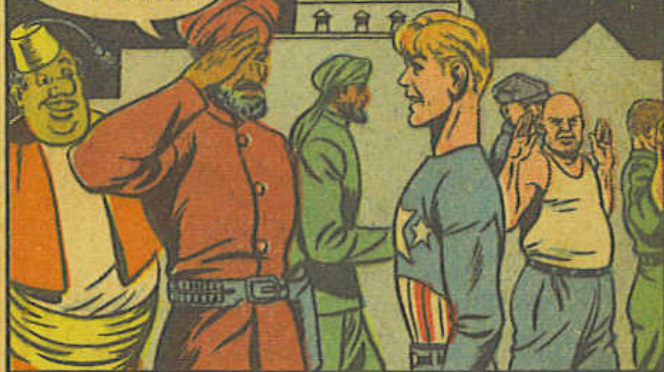


DON'T!!
I'LL TELL!!...
THE PAIN'S
TOO GREAT!

HERE COME
THE ISLAND
POLICE!



A SPLENDID JOB! YOU
BOYVILLE BRIGADIERS ARE
MAKING A REPUTATION
THROUGH ALL THIS
PART OF THE
PACIFIC!



THANKS,
OFFICER!

LOOK! HERE'S
ALL THE INFORMATION
ABOUT THE
TREASURE!



NOW IT'S
ALL CLEAR!

THE TREASURE'S AS
GOOD AS YOURS,
MISS COOPER!
YOU'RE RICH!!



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